

Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312  
Attorney Docket No. 062680  
Application No. 10/583,779

**REMARKS**

Claims 3, 5, 6, 8 and 26-31 are pending. Claims 27-31 are newly added. No new matter has been added.

As indicated above, this is an Amendment after Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 and MPEP §714.16.

New claims 27-31 depend, either directly or indirectly, from at least one of allowed claims 3, 5, 6, 8 and 26.

This amendment, in accordance with MPEP §714.16: (1) is needed for proper disclosure or protection of the applicants' invention, and (2) requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Patent Office.

In view of the aforementioned amendments and accompanying remarks, Applicants submit that the claims, as herein amended, are in condition for allowance. Applicants request such action at an early date.

If the Examiner believes that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,  
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